City Council Introduction:

February 26, 2018

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## **FACTSHEET**

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TITLE: Update LMC 8.26 Nuisances,

Section 040 to Change the Date to Report Nuisance

**Abatement Costs** 

APPLICANT:

Health Department

For **RECOMMENDATION:** 

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

For

OTHER DEPARTMENTS AFFECTED:

None

SPONSOR:

Health Department

**OPPONENTS:** None Identified

**BOARD/COMMITTEE:** Board of Health

## **REASON FOR LEGISLATION**

To update LMC 8.26 Nuisances, Section 040 to change the date (month) that the Health Director is required to report nuisance abatement costs to the City Council from September to October of each year.

## **DISCUSSION / FINDINGS OF FACT:**

In LMC 8.26 Nuisances, Section 040 Report to Council; Assessment of Cost; Collection of Assessment, the Health Director is required to report on all real estate cleared of a public nulsance since September first of the previous year. Currently the ordinance requires such reports by September 15 of each year. This report can include nuisances abated as late as August 31 of that same year. After an abatement, the Health Department notifies property owners of the costs and offers them the opportunity to pay. If the costs are paid, the assessment does not come before the City Council.

When abatements are performed late in August, the Health Department must include those property owners in the report to the City Council since property owners do not have adequate time to pay for the costs and have their name and property removed from the report. The Health Department is proposing to change the date for reporting to the City Council to October 15. This would allow property owners adequate time to pay before the report is submitted to the City Council.

**POLICY OR PROGRAM CHANGE:** 

Yes

X No

**OPERATIONAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT: None** 

**COST OF TOTAL PROJECT:** 

**RELATED ANNUAL OPERATING COSTS:** 

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:** N/A

CITY: N/A

NON CITY:

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